

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
June 4, 2018 @ 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were:

Council Members: George Anderson, Micah Dietz, Josh Kilmer, Gary Rouse, and Josh VanDeMark

Others: Susan Burgess, Mayor; Dale Grover, Ordinance Enforcement & Borough Maintenance; and Joanne Vago, Secretary/Treasurer

Public: Cain Chamberlain (Rocket-Courier), Tom Miller (Wyalusing Volunteer Fire Department) and Denise Schloder

Josh Kilmer, President led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. He acknowledged the use of a digital voice recorder.

Mayor's Report: Cpl. Matt Lopresto attended the meeting briefly and reported that there were 11 calls handled during the month of May. There was a discussion about a patrol car following a school bus at the beginning of the next school year to deal with cars passing busses illegally. Council also brought up the Stop sign violations at 2nd Street. The Mayor brought up a speed sign question regarding the legality of cameras taking photos of speeding cars. The Borough currently has camera capability, but the photos are not clear. The Mayor also attended the Route 6 Alliance meeting. PennDot currently is in the process of making Route 6 bicycle friendly.

Citizen's Comments and Concerns: Denise Schloder asked for an update on the feral cat issue in the Borough. You Too Animal Rescue has caught 5 cats. There will be another attempt on the 13th and residents are asked not to feed any feral cats. Denise thanked the Borough for their efforts and has noticed a difference on her street. Tom Miller gave information for the draft resolution required by PennDot for the display of banners for the carnival.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the May 7, 2018 Regular Meeting were reviewed by Council members. Micah Dietz made the motion to accept the Minutes, seconded by Josh VanDeMark. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Gary Rouse made the motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Josh VanDeMark. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed by Council members. The President accepted the report and it was filed for audit.

Borough Maintenance/Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report: The detailed monthly report was previously distributed to the Council members. (1) PennDot finished milling on Church Street, (2) latest windstorm brought down 3 trees in the Cemetery that were removed, (3) the cameras are in for the Borough Park, will be installed soon, (4) a load of topsoil was ordered for the cemetery, (5) the mulch around the trees on Main Street will be replaced with 1 ½” stone with a base by Woodpeckers LLC at a price of \$4,500.00. A motion to approve the price for this effort was made by Gary Rouse and seconded by Micah Dietz and carried unanimously by voice vote, (6) the Mayor asked about the rubber mats for the manholes. Dale has and will cement the mats to the covers when there are a few nice days.

Foster Correspondence and Report: Jonathan Foster’s report and invoice were reviewed by Council members.

Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report: Wyalusing High School wants to go back on Borough water. Still in discussion.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) **Letter from PennDot** – Notice of Payment for State Police Fines and Penalties
- (2) **Letter from DEP** – Annual Wasteload Management Report Approval
- (3) **Letter from PennDot** – Payment Notice of Deposit for State Police Fines and Penalties

New Business:

- (1) **Letter from Jonathan Foster.** Letter from Jonathan Foster regarding the complaints received on the Don McNeil sign painted on his barn. After consultation with some civil rights attorneys, it was determined that the Borough can do nothing about it, since they would likely lose any litigation that Don McNeil might initiate, and it is not “profane” enough to constitute a violation of our current Ordinance. Attorney Foster included a draft of a possible change to our Ordinance in the event we want to update the Zoning Ordinance that pertains to signs.

Old Business:

- (1) **T-W Zoning Issue/Zoning Hearing Board.** Council discussed briefly. Will wait for next steps by T-W, but are not inclined to change to Business 2. Still need one more member for Zoning Hearing Board in case T-W wants to pursue a formal hearing.
- (2) **General Code Organizational Analysis.** General Code is finished with their initial analysis and has requested several items that are due by July 12, 2018. The Borough Secretary will coordinate.

(3) Follow-Ups (Website, Telephone, Internet, etc.). The wiring project for the computers and telephone switchover from Frontier to Blue Ridge Cable is complete and is working properly. The website revision is in its final stages of proofing and will be going live probably within the next two weeks.

The Council meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Submitted by,

Joanne Vago
Secretary/Treasurer